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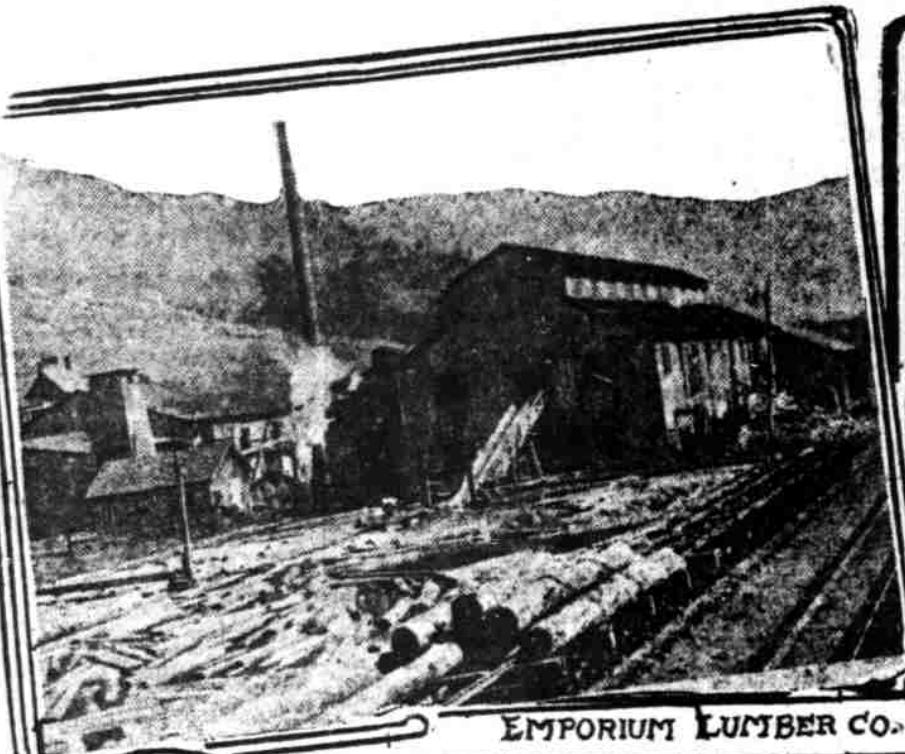
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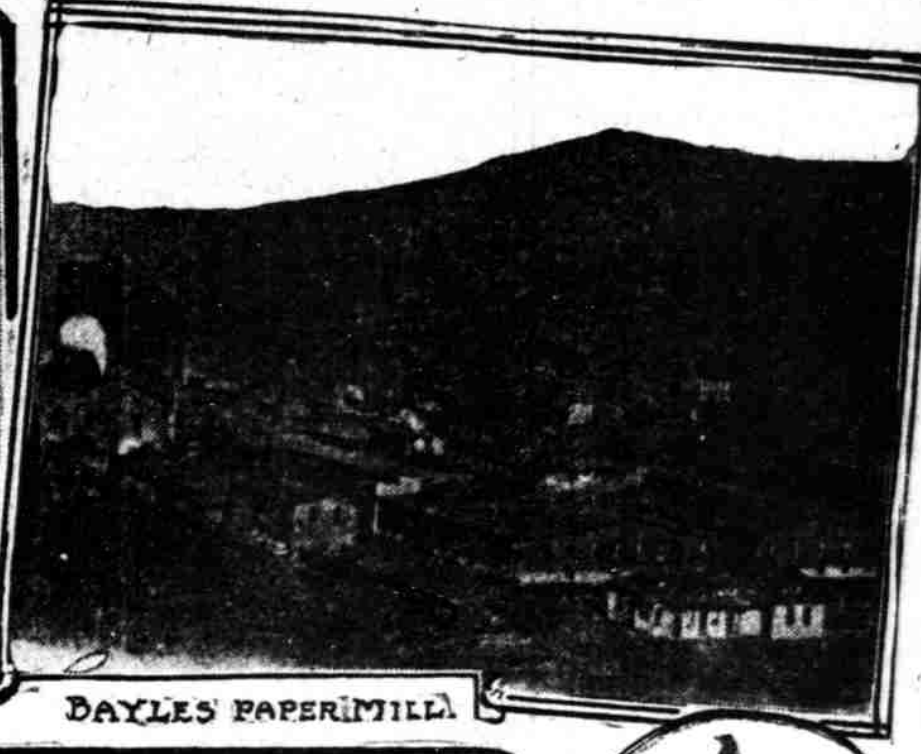
AUSTIN FLOOD'S DEATH LIST REACHES FIVE HUNDRED; TWO THOUSAND WITHOUT HOMES; FIVE MILLIONS LOSS



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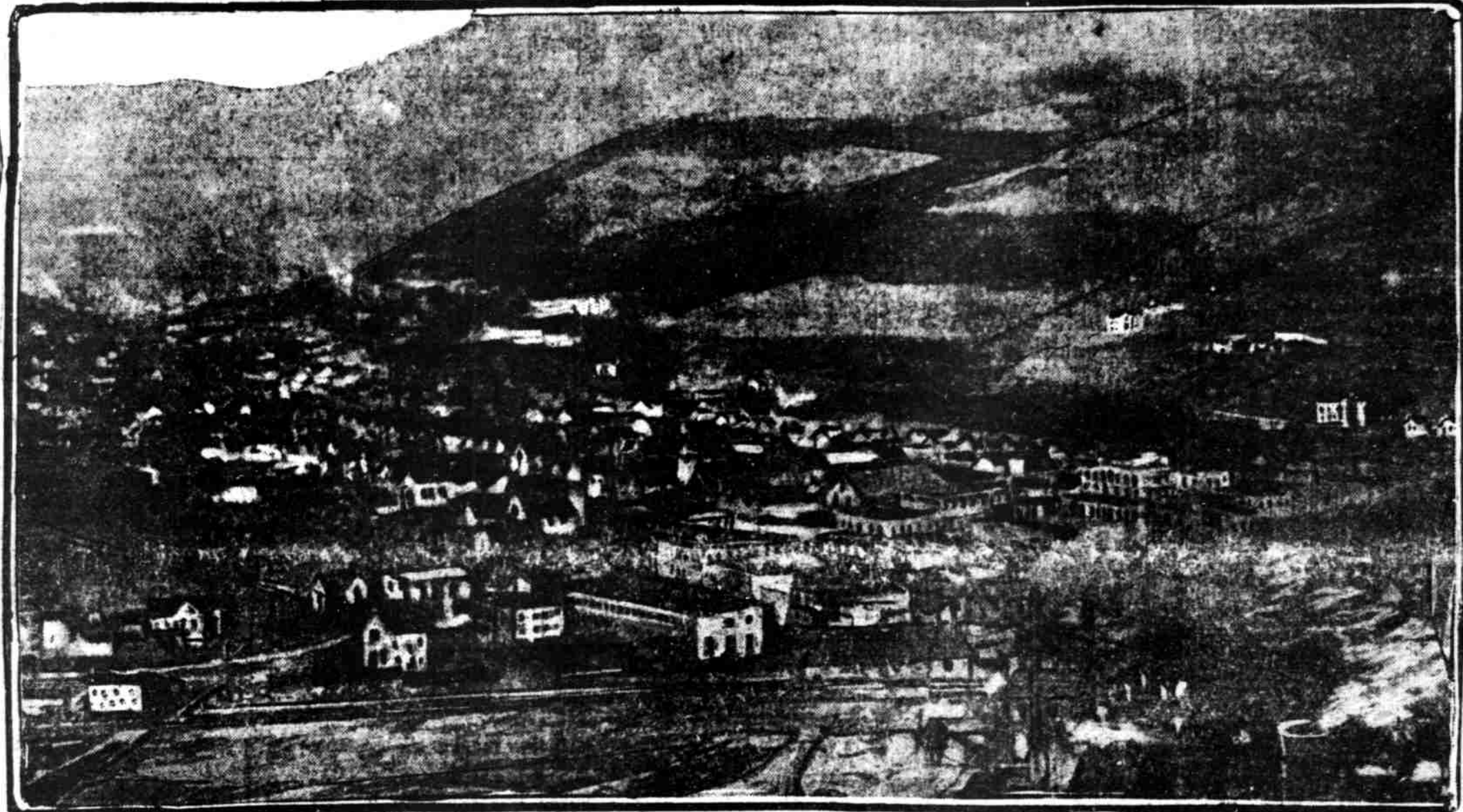
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VIEW OF DESTROYED CITY OF AUSTIN

THREE TURKISH WARSHIPS SUNK; 21,000 PERISH

Great Naval Battle Occurs
Near Straits of
Dardanelles.

SIX TORPEDO BOATS BADLY DAMAGED

Sultan's Vessels Outmaneuvered
by Opponents in Desperate
Struggle on Sea.

ROME, Oct. 1.—Three Turkish battleships were sunk and six torpedo boats damaged by the Italian squadron which had been pursuing the Moslem fleet from Beirut to Constantinople. The engagement took place near the entrance of the Dardanelles. The Italian ships circled the Sultan's vessels and prevented them from gaining the forts in the Golden Horn.

In the exciting naval battle which followed the Turkish warships were outmaneuvered. The aim of the Italian gunners was accurate, and after a short engagement the three Ottoman battleships were sent to the bottom.

Hundreds of the crew leaped overboard and made frantic efforts to reach the damaged torpedo boats. It is estimated that the loss of life will exceed 2,000. Further details of the battle are lacking. When the news (Continued on Second Page.)

WEATHER REPORT

FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT.
Rain tonight and Monday, slightly warmer tonight; moderate south winds.

TEMPERATURES.

U. S. BUREAU.	APFLECK'S.
8 a. m. 54	8 a. m. 62
9 a. m. 58	9 a. m. 64
10 a. m. 61	10 a. m. 67
11 a. m. 63	11 a. m. 69
12 noon. 65	12 noon. 71
1 p. m. 67	1 p. m. 73
2 p. m. 69	2 p. m. 75

TIDE TABLE.

Today—High tide, 2:05 a. m. and 2:30 p. m.; low tide, 9:01 a. m. and 9:20 p. m.
Tomorrow—High tide, 3:01 a. m. and 3:46 p. m.; low tide, 9:58 a. m. and 10:16 p. m.

SUN TABLE.

Sun Rises. 5:55 Sun Sets. 5:45

SIXTY-TWO YOUNG MEN ARRESTED IN NORTHEAST RAID

Ninth Precinct Police Urged
to Action by Citizens'
Complaints.

Urged to action by complaints of annoyances from merchants and residents of H street northeast, Captain Daly, of the Ninth precinct, with Sergeant McQuade and a squad of six policemen, raided last night and arrested sixty-two alleged offenders.

The captives include white and black boys and young men of about an equal number, all charged with disorderly conduct of various description, ranging from congregating on the sidewalks to flirting with women. None arrested was on roller skates, although, in pursuance of directions from Judge De Lacy, policemen notified more than a dozen parents that their children were out unduly late.

Captain Daly announced, following last night's raid, that he intended to stop the numerous complaints that have come in from residents along H street. This is the "midnight F street" of the city, and, it is said, young men and women parade to a late hour.

All the prisoners were released on the payment of \$5 collateral, and tomorrow may be a busy day in Police Court.

Harriman Strike Does Not Delay Passengers

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 1.—As far as traveling is concerned there is no strike on Harriman lines. Here and there trains have been halted for lack of repairs, but all day today railroad traffic was moving as smoothly as ever. This in spite of the fact that there are between 1,450 and 1,600 shopmen on strike here and at Los Angeles.

Morning Dawns on Scenes of Greatest Desolation; Families Lost and Separated; Food and Shelter Swept Away; Survivors Dumb With Grief; Two States Rush Aid.

Five hundred dead, their bodies piled with the debris of dismantled homes, is now the toll of the flood that swept Austin, Pa., when the Bayless dam broke yesterday afternoon.

Men, women, and children walk the streets today calling the names of missing loved ones. But few bodies have been recognized or recovered.

Nearly 2,000 people are homeless. Some are being cared for by those who lived above the path of the released waters, which tore down the valley in a wall fifty feet high.

The property loss is estimated at \$5,000,000. Nearly every home and business house in Austin was swept to the foot of the valley and destroyed.

Conditions almost as tragic prevail at the little town of Costello, three miles below Austin.

Relief is being sent from neighboring towns.

RUINS MARK SITE OF TOWN OF AUSTIN.

(By Washington Times Correspondent.)

AUSTIN, Pa., Oct. 1.—With its 500 unrecovered dead, its homes and business houses torn from foundations and swept by restless waters from the Bayless dam to the foot of the valley below, with privation and suffering on every side, what was yesterday the peaceful little town of Austin is in sackcloth and ashes today.

Receding waters and smoldering fires furnish mute evidence of the greatest catastrophe Pennsylvania has known since the Johnstown flood of 1889. But a partial inventory of the destruction wrought can be had today.

Five hundred are known to have been drowned or burned to death; five millions worth of property has been destroyed; some two thousand people are homeless and are temporarily sheltered by those who lived on the hills, just above the water-swept valley.

Only twenty-two bodies have been recovered up to an early hour this afternoon.

Two simple laughs, the unbelieving chuckles of a stenographer, sent the hundreds to their doom. Her iconoclastic laughter stayed the note of warning minutes and those 120 seconds wrung a death toll from Austin and Costello that cannot be estimated for a week.

Miss Margaret Decker, her mother, numbered among the dead, waited the fatal moment. Today at her home, crazed by grief, and holding herself to blame for the catastrophe, the light-hearted stenographer bravely tried to tell the story, a story grim and horrible to her and a story of laughter at death that was re-echoed by another pessimistic soul.

The story of Miss Decker is the tale of a tragedy that has stunned a town and appealed to a Commonwealth. Twenty minutes past 2 o'clock the tinkle of the telephone bell disturbed the quiet of the office of the Bayless Pulp and Paper Company. The stenographer took up the receiver and affixed the instrument to her ear.

"Hello!" shouted a voice, screaming in terror and fright, "for God's sake warn the town the dam was broken."

Children were due to be snuffed out by one blow from the candle. There was no response to that laugh on the other end of that telephone wire. Again the voice, trembling with emotion and throbbing with all the terrible intensity of knowledge, shouted its frantic note of warning: "For God's sake," appealed the voice, "warn the town; the dam has broken."

How Chance Was Lost.
Once more that laugh came from the lips of Miss Decker, and that second moment lost all chance of safety for the hundreds. Miss Decker, still unbelieving the warning of the wire, managed to stifle her smiles long enough to inform the bookkeeper.

With him to hear was to act, he pulled down the telephone in his feverish haste, called up the car shops a mile away and sounded the note of alarm.

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PRESIDENT'S TRAIN IN DANGER; CREEPS THROUGH WASHOUT

Torrents Maroon and Delay
Taft—Guarded by Track-
walkers.

ATCHISON, Kan., Oct. 1.—Over a hastily patched-up roadbed undermined by one of the heaviest cloudbursts the "cyclone belt" has known in years, President Taft's special train left Atchison today for Omaha, after having been marooned for twelve hours.

Plainly nervous over the condition of the road, but determined to get President Taft into Omaha tonight, the railroad officials sent out hundreds of men to watch the roadbed and pushed out a heavy pilot train ahead of the President's special. All along the line the special traversed weak spots. Several bridges which had been swamped by last night's torrential rains and repaired with much haste and temporary material, and a score of spots where the tracks had been washed away and dimly rebuilt, confronted the train as it crawled along, constantly in danger of sliding into a washout.

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DR. WILEY SOON TO BE CZAR OVER PURE FOOD LAW

McCabe and Dunlap May
Be Deposed When Taft
Gets Back.

ACTION FORCED BY OPINION OF PUBLIC

Chief Chemist to Have Complete
Control of Act's Ad-
ministration.

By JUDSON C. WELLIVER.

The pure food law will be handed back to Dr. Wiley. Inside of another week he will be the czar in all matters involving its administration.

Whether Solicitor McCabe will be pried out of his position at the Department of Agriculture will not be decided until after President Taft's return from the grand tour. Whether Associate Chemist Dunlap will continue in the service, will await consideration at the same time.

Wiley To Be Boss.

But meantime, the pure food act will be taken out of the hands of the board of food and drug inspection, composed of Wiley, McCabe, and Dunlap, and given to Dr. Wiley. There will be no two-to-one-against-Wiley rulings, as in the past. It will be a few minutes a washout behind the special cut it off from both directions.

The railroad men outlined the situation to the President, who smiled comfortably and remarked, philosophically: "Well, I've lived long enough now to know that when you are up against it, you might just as well smile and sit still."

The President is due to leave Omaha at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow and he will be able to pick up his schedule for the trip West.

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